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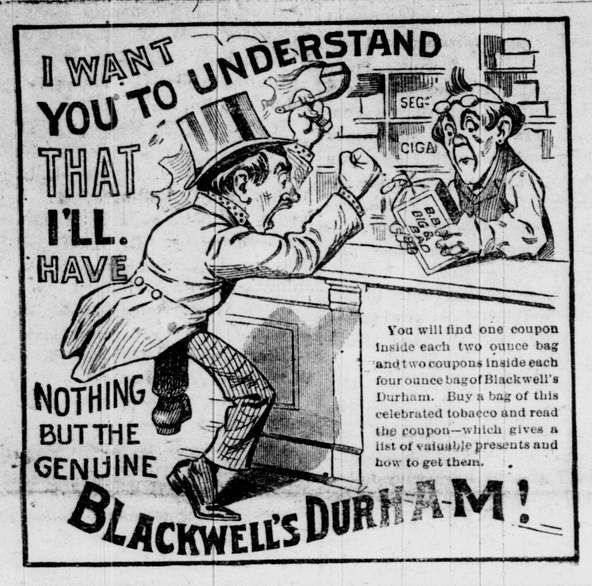
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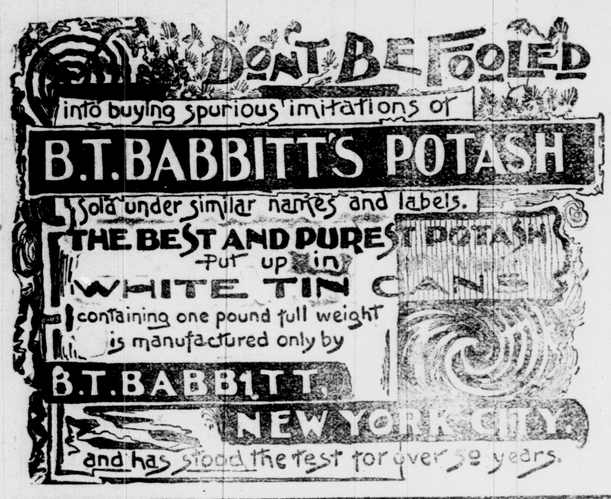
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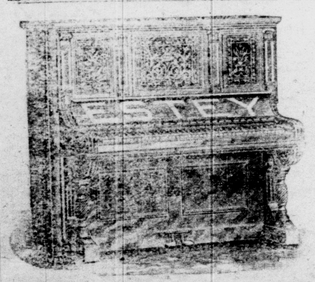

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CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION

W. D. Gordon, the Young Orator From Sherman, Selected to Carry the Banner of Populism to Victory.

Sherman, Texas, May 22, 1896.

The populist congressional convention for the 5th district met here to-day in the district court room. On the evening previous the delegates began to arrive and by 8 o'clock this morning it became evident that an interesting meeting was to be held. The friends of the various aspirants for congressional honors began to gather in groups early this morning and discuss the situation. All the counties in the district were well represented by enthusiastic delegates inspired by bright prospects of success in November.

At 10:30 a. m., D. E. Lyday, chairman of the executive committee rapped the convention to order, stated the objects of the meeting and called for nomination for temporary chairman. On motion D.E. Lyday of Fannin county was elected temporary chairman, and W. D. Gordon of Grayson was elected temporary secretary.

On motion a committee of one from each county was appointed on credentials. The committee reported the several counties fully represented by 68 duly accredited delegates. The report of the committee was received and adopted.

On motion a committee of one from each county was appointed on resolutions. The convention then took a recess till 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention reconvened at 1 o'clock and the committee on rules and permanent organization reported recommending Dr. J. F. Elliott of Montague for permanent chairman and W. D. Gordon of Grayson for permanent secretary, and recommending that in making nomination for congress that the three-fourths rule apply on first ballot two-thirds on second and majority on subsequent ballots. The report was adopted.

The committee on resolutions reported in favor of reaffirming the principles of the Omaha platform, the initiative and referendum and favoring statehood for the Indian Territory. The report was unanimously adopted.

Dr. Elliott was then escorted to the chair, and in a happy speech thanked the convention for the honor conferred on him.

Nominations for congressman was then declared in order and the following gentlemen were placed in nomination: W. D. Gordon and W. L. Holt of Grayson; R. V. Bell of Cooke; W. R. Lamb of Montague; W. L. Thurman of Denton; and E. W. Kirkpatrick of Collin. Mr. Lamb of Montague, in a short speech, withdrew his name from the convention.

On motion each candidate was allowed five minutes to state his position on the platform, which was responded to by each of the gentlemen nominated, all expressing themselves in harmony with the Omaha platform. Balloting being declared in order the chair appointed Messrs Doyle of Grayson, Thompson and Brummet of Collin tellers. The first ballot resulted as follows: Gordon 22, Holt 8, Bell 10, Thurman 13 1-6 Kirkpatrick 14 5-6. Mr. Holt's name was withdrawn and the second ballot stood: Gordon 21, Bell 19, Thurman 15 1-6, Kirkpatrick 12 5-6. Mr. Kirkpatrick's name was dropped and the third ballot stood: Gordon 35 5-6, Bell, 12, Thurman 20 1-6. The nomination of Mr. Gordon was made unanimous amid great applause and calls for "speech." The young orator of Grayson responded in an eloquent address thanking the convention for the honor conferred on him, and promising to carry the banner of populism to victory in the fifth district in November.

The convention then proceeded to elect delegates to the national convention as follows: At large W. R. Lamb of Monaague and A. H. McCarty of Collin. By counties, Collin John Doyle, Cooke R. V. Bell, Denton A. Collins, Fannin D. E. Lyday, Grayson H. S. Barum, Montague R. P. Blish. D. E. Lyday was elected chairman of the executive committee for the ensuing two years and S. J. Hampton of Grayson for sec'y-treas. D. E. Lyday was elected member of the state platform committee. The candidacy of Dr. J. F. Elliott of Montague for railroad commissioner was indorsed. On motion the convention adjourned.

NOTES.

The Collin county delegation was organized as follows: Chairman E. C. Forbes, member credentials committe W. T. Marriot, member committee on resolutions F. C Thompson.

Prof. C. F. Trotter of Callin made the speech of the day in placing E. W. Kirkpatrick in nomination.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was not an aspirant for the nomination and the large complimentary vote given him is an evidence of the esteem which the populists of the fifth district have for him.

After the convention the delegates repaired to the tornado swept district and viewed the ruins.

The delegates were loud in their praise of the kindness and coutesy shown them by the citizens of Sherman.

Adding Insult to Injury.

Hatter—"I've got no use for young Snobberly."

Friend—"What has he been doing?

Hatter—"I met him the other day, and he didn't take his hat off to me. I wouldn't have minded that so much, if he hadn't been owing me for that identical hat."—Sifter.

From Bowlby.

May 23, 1896.

Crops look well since the late rain; some will begin cutting wheat next week.

Several were very much frightened at the cyclone which passed over this community last week, but it was not near enough to the ground to do any particular damage.

Several from this place visited Sherman Sunday to see the ruins of the dreadful cyclone that passed through there last week.

The sick of last week are John Potts' family, Mrs. M. J. Hickey, and little Oscar Turner.

Prof. Sam Jones' singing class is progressing nicely.

Rev. Alfred Andes preached his farewell sermon to a large audience at this place on last Sunday night.

The Sunday school has been changed to 10 o'clock in the morning. Everybody is invited to attend and take a part.

Will Matthews and others have been grape hunting and report finding plenty of grapes and some fish.

Mrs. Nancy Gray left last Friday for Wise county to make her future home.

Several attended church at Walnut Grove last Sunday.

Those that attended the Bloomdale exhibition last Friday night were Robert Duncan and family, Pearl and Nellie Brook, Rainey Hickey, Bob Bailiff, Jake Moore, Dutch, Robert and Abygail Stripland, John and Lena Hickey and Bert Spradlin.

CENTRAL.

ROYAL Baking Powder.
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A strange spectacle is witnessed in the senate. The river and harbor bill carries an item of $3,000,000 for a harbor at San Monico, Cal. The California senators and every representative of the state are fighting the appropriation and declare the state does not want it. Yet other senators and a majority of the house are trying to force it through. The excuse is that it is a job of Huntington in the interest of his Southern Pacific railroad, and so great is the "persuasive" influence of that magnate that he can make congress appropriate money for an improvement which the state supposed to be most interested says it does not want. Such is the power of the lobby.—Nonconformist.

One of the Few

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Political Encampment.

The central populist club will meet at populist headquarters in McKinney, Saturday, June 6th, to decide upon the proposition of holding a county encampment in Collin county this summer. Let every local club elect delegates and instruct them for or against the encampment. Every populist in the county who can do so is urged to attend.

E. C. FORBES, Chairman.

J. G. Anthony, the grocer, makes a specialty of the purest and best which the market affords. He has just stocked up with Royal Baking Powder. This famous powder is the cheapest because it is the best. It is made from the purest Cream of Tarter which costs more per pound than some baking powders sell for. Cheap powders are made from alum, and are condemned by scientists generally, and this condemnation has recently been emphasized by the government chemists at Washington whose reports showed that the Royal Baking Powder was absolutely pure, and without a peer in its strength and wholesomeness.

Gold Medal Oratorical Contest.

The commencement exercises of the Blue Ridge academy, May 15, reflected much credit upon the principal, C. F. Trotter, as a teacher, and also upon the progressive citizens of that village who have so nobly aided him in building up a school second to no free school in the county in point of curriculum and efficient work.

The graduates were W. L. Glenn and Miss Margaret Webb, and class motto, "More Beyond."

The class of '97 is composed of Miss Allie Price, Pres.; Levi Dorn, Sec.; Miss Katie Moyers, J. F. Smith, Troy Kever, Leonard Dorn, T. S. Hamm, Alin Connor, J. S. Dorn and J. A. Webb.

The gold medal oratorical contest, Saturday night, was the event of all the exercises, and the eight contestants demonstrated on the stage that they had done some faithful work in preparing their orations for delivery. The contestants composed their own orations, all of which contained deep thought expressed in choicest of language. The following were the subjects: "Memory"—Levi Dorn; "Prohibition"—W. A. Pruitt; "Compulsory Education"—Troy Kever; "Twilight"—Margaret Webb; "Influence of Home"—Allie Price; "Temperance"—J. F. Smith; "Early Training"—J. A. Webb; "Beauties of Nature"—W. L. Glenn.

The judges unanimously awarded Miss Margaret Webb the medal.

We give the oration in full below, and commend it to our readers as eminently worthy of perusal:

TWILIGHT.

It is twilight. The day is almost gone. The sun has sunk below the horizon and only the faintest glimmer can be seen in the west where but a short time ago all was so bright. Did you ever sit in these last moments of day and let your mind flow in reverie? What an influence those gleams impart to the soul. The memories of long lost loved ones are sweetly and sadly mingled with the beauty and glory of the fastly sinking day. It is a fitting time to think of the graver affairs of life, and the musings so sweet, sheds holiness and beauty over the graves of the dead. Only a few moments ago all was full of mirth and frolic, but the hours because wearied of their day's work and all have fallen into a calm which seems to affect everything alike. The birds hush their wild singing and the whippoor-will sings very softly his evening song. The nightingale, too, joins in with a mellow strain which seems too glorious to be sung at any other time. How sweetly sad seem the last moments of day, as they are gradually ebbing their fife's blood away.

Twilight may well be likened to the human body just before the soul takes its flight. The body and mind have been busy over the cares of life but at last they become so wearied and worn out that they are willing to lay down these cares and gradually grow weaker until they fall asleep on their Savior's breast. Their last hours most happy and peaceful and they seem to hear the music made by the angels on their golden harps. The sun has gone from our sight with his splendor, and nothing is left but the holiness and beauty of the faint light from the mild blue heavens above us. How elevating it is to sit thus and muse over the higher things of life. It seems to me the Savior's love is more intense then, for one feels nearer his heavenly home than at any other time. I can then appreciate these thoughts of the poet:

"Deep were my musings in life's early blossom,
'Mid twilight of mountain grove, wandering alone;
How thrilled my young veins, and how throbbed my full bosom
When o'er me descendsd the spirit of song,"

How sweet to listen to some strain of music at eventide. It seems to waft us heavenward on golden wings. Such songs pacify our restless thoughts and lull them to rest.

At twilight, thoughts of other days so pleasantly spent come to us borne on the wings of the wind. We can almost hear the familiar voices and the faces so dear come before us as plainly as if we had seen them only yesterday. Twilight brings to memory many events of which we had not thought for many days or even years. It elevates the soul and makes the heart yearn for good. It presents to the mind bright and glorious ideas. In the words of Longfellow:

"Becalmed upon the sea of thought,
still maintained, the land is sought;
My mind with loosely hanging sails,
Lies waiting the auspicious gales.

On either side, behind, before,
The ocean stretches like a floor,
A level floor of amythyst,
Crowned by a golden dome of mist.

Blow breath of inspiration, blow;
Shake and uplift this golden glow;
And fill the canvass of the mind,
with wafts of thy celestial wind.

Blow, breath of song, until I feel,
The straining sail, the lifting keel,
The life of the awakening sea
It's motion and it's mystery."

The wind seems to come in the evening with its gentle and fragrant breath, filled with the perfume of the beautiful flowers. It fills the soul to overflowing with ecstacy. The rustling of the leaves caused by the breezes makes music to our souls. The grass which was so bright and green is looking as if life were almost gone. Our moments fly so quickly, we do not seem to think of their rapidity until evening comes. How startled we are at their flight. We should awake to a sense of duty and make use of the golden moments while they are yet ours, and in old age the twilight will be much brighter. "Old Father Time" will move on with the same steady beat and, at last, when time shall be no more and Christ comes to gather up his jewels, then will come the rejoicing. Those twilight hours were bright here, will only glow with a greater luster there. Nothing which is good, dies. It only falls asleep to wake in a brighter day than ours. There is no death! The sun, moon and stars all go down to shine upon some other land. The dust upon which we tread is changed to vegetable, fruit and flowers by the spring and summer rains. An angel glides silently over this land of ours and carries our loved ones away, and we call them dead; but it is not so: They are now living with the immortal. The sweet melodious voices, that once made our hearts bound with joy, are now making gladsome the saints in their heavenly home. The flowers which the reaper carried away now adorn the immortal bowers.

When sitting in the twilight and gazing upon the beauty of the western sky, it seems you can almost see the saints, the snow white robes and hear the music of their golden harps. Then, is it strange that twilight is the most precious time of day? It makes the summer tresses of the trees to glow more brilliantly. In the words of the poet:

"O what a glory doth this world put on
For him who, with a fervent heart, goes forth
Under the bright and glorious sky, and looks
On duties well performed, and days well spent!
For him the wind, aye, and the yellow leaves,
Shall have a voice, and give him eloquent teachings.
He shall so hear the solemn hymn that death
Has lifted up for all, that he shall go
To his long resting place without a tear.

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The strength we have rallied to our party came to us as exponents of certain well defined principles. We are the anti-monopolp party;—we fight monopoly in food products, necessaries of life, money and transportation.

We are the party, and the only one which stands committed to the doctrine of compelling the rich to pay their proportionate share of the enormous annual taxes.

We are the party, and the only one which stands for the principle that the highways of the republic shall be cleared of the corporation robbers which fleece every traveler who passes. "Restore these public roads to the public, and disperse the legalized bandits who infest them,"—says Populism.

We are the party, and the only one, which says plainly and earnestly that national banks of issue must go; that legal-tender paper money, based upon the law and credit of the republic, is as good money for us as either silver or gold; and that the volume of currency shall always increase as population increases. If the bimetallic league stands for any paper currency, except that which is to be redeemed in silver or gold I have yet to learn the fact.

We stand for bi-metalism, for absolute equality between silver and gold. We alone stand for the abolition of the American house of lords, (the Corporation-attorney senate,) and the substitution of a senate chosen by direct vote of the people.

All of these principles are sound, all are popular, all are essential. Why stultify ourselves by dropping all but one?

I say that no man is good enough to govern another man without that other man's consent. I say this is the leading principle, the sheet-anchor of American republicanism.

As I understand the spirit of our institutions, it is designed to promote the elevation of men. I am, therefore, hostile to anything that tends to their debasement.

I hold that if the Almighty had made a set of men that should do all of the eating and none of the work, he would have made them with their mouths only, and no hands; and if he had made another class that he intended should do all the work and none of the eating, he would have made them without mouths and all hands.

A trust fears neither God nor man; It is merciless, arrogant. It laughs at the law. There are over 300 of them in this country. These vast accumulations of wealth are more dangerous to the liberties of the republic than if all the anarchists, socialists and nihilists of Europe were let loose on our fair land.—Mayor Pingree.

R.R. TIME CARD.

	H. & T. C.	
North bound.	Cannon ball	5:21 a. m.
South "	No 2	8:08 a. m.
North "	No 3	10:59 a. m.
South "	No 4	5:05 p. m.
North "	No 1	8:12 p. m.
South "	Cannon Ball	9:48 p. m.
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Passenger, arrives.		4. 23 p. m.
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THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1896.

F. C Thompson, Editor & Propriet'r
Walter B. Wilson, Local Editor.

CLUBBING LIST.

The Democrat and Texas Sifter one year $2 25.
" " " Semi-Weekly Dallas News $1.75
" " " Rocky Mt. News $1.75

BARLOW Bailey has breakers ahead this year.

Jerome Kearby's chances for governor continue to grow brighter every day.

The police had to be called in to quell the disorder in the national prohibition convention in session in Pittsburg Pennsylvania.

WILL Benson, a citizen of Denton county, has offered a $100 reward to any one who will prove that he (Benson) is not a democrat.

MONDAY night of this week the union depot, valued at $100,000, burned in Fort Worth and Dallas had a $70,000 fire, also, the same night.

OLD Alcade has given up all hope of bringing about harmony in the democratic party and has withdrawn from the race for governor.

CHAIRMAN Harrity of the national democratic executive committee, says Tillman, Bailey and other free silverite bolters cannot be permitted to enter the national convention unless they agree to stand by that convention's action.

SCATTERED over the farms of the United States in 1890 were 49109 asses. The entire number, however, at this time is to be found in the ranks of the Texas "sound money" bolters.—Wylie Rustler.

It should be remembered also that a few of the long-eared, braying tribe are to be found in third class printing offices, like that of the Rustler, ready at any time to "blow out the gas."

A LETTER received from Blue Ridge conveys the information that Judge H. D. Wood of Greenville spoke to a large crowd in that town last Saturday. Judge Wood is an excellent speaker and promises to send to Judge J. W. Gray a list of twelve appointments to speak in Collin county at an early date. Mr. Wood says that that the fifth congressional district will hear from him in the interest of W. D. Gordon during the campaign.

WE understand that the populist party has got A. H. McCarty, of Plano, slated for sheriff of Collin county. He is a new convert to populism. He is on an awful, awful cold trail.—Wylie Rustler.

A new convert! Tom, why not make a supreme effort to tell the truth for once: just for a change? Mr. McCarty is a reformer of long standing whose character and intelligence makes him worthy of any office in Collin county. Tommy, the trail will be a little too hot for such shysters as you.

Democratic Endorsement Of W. D. Gordon.

The Brownwood Bulletin, a staunch democratic paper has this to say of Capt. W. D. Gordon, of Sherman, who has been selected by the people's party of that district to make the race for congress. The Bulletin would very much like to see Will obtain a seat in congress as he would certainly fill the position with credit to himself and his constituents."—Brownwood Bulletin.

The Sherman Register, another democratic paper, says:

"The nomination of Mr. Gordon was made unanimous. Mr. Gordon is a popular young attorney of this city, a member of the law firm of Gordon & Brown and a young man of energy, ability and promise."

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BARNEY Gibbs says Tillman is afflicted with "political wobbles".

REV. J. Bishop of Wylie is expected to address the Central Club, Saturday June 6.

Ex-Gov O. M. Roberts has withdrawn from the race as an independent candidate for governor.

Where do you want the grand political encampment for Collin county to be held?

LET every populist pull for a grand political encampment for Collin county. Some time in August would be a convenient time to hold it. The impetus given our party by such an event would sweep us to victory next November.

I WOULD no more go into one of these primaries (June 6) and vote under the rules prescribed by the Dudley committee than I would go into a pest house full of small-pox or yellow fever.—Ex-Gov. O. M. Roberts.

POPULIST state convention at Galveston, Aug. 5. The railroads have granted a $5 rate for the round trip.

THE Greenville Gladiator is the name of a new populist paper just started in our sister city. If it continues in its present able editorial make-up and generally bright appearance it will be a power in favor of reform. Messrs Wood & Davis are proprietors. We x with pleasure.

HON. Calvin Brice, the multi-millionaire democratic senator from Ohio, says: "There may be a majority for free silver in the Chicago convention, but mark my word, there will be no free coinage plank adopted." Brice is in a position to know what he talks about. There is no bigger bulldog in the democratic back-yard than he. He could tell you to a dime how much British and eastern capital is at hand to buy the conventions. And what he says is an open confession that it will be bought—at least that the majority will be squelched in some way. We think the bag toters will be satisfied with a straddle, if they could fool, as usual, a good many blarsted fools; but men of sense will not be caught in that way again.—Mercury.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. William D. Gordon to Miss Ruth Wilson McLean at the First Baptist church in Sherman, Wednesday evening, June 3. The groom is a talented young lawyer of Sherman, who was nominated by the populists of the 5th district last week for congress, and the bride is the accomplished daughter of Judge and Mrs. McLean of the same city. In advance THE DEMOCRAT extends congratulations and best wishes.

THE central populist club of Collin county meets in populist headquarters, McKinney, Saturday June 6 at 1 p. m. Every populist club in the county should be represented as we are now in the midst of the great political contest of 1896. Our lines are being equipped, our standard bearers being nominated or tive men's swarassed. Let each one of the three thousand populists of Collin county rally at every bugle call and victory is ours as sure as November rolls around. The populists of Collin county are better organized and disciplined than it, or any other party, ever was before in the county. We have clubs, forming a veritable link chain for speedy, thorough communication throughout the county. we have a hall of our own to meet in, consult and advise at any time. we have the fulcrum and leverage to do magnificent work for the undying principles of our party in Collin county.

The question now is, "will we improve our opportunity or will we falter and thereby retrogade by our apathy?" The central club is a powerful ally to all influences for the best interests of our party and should receive the hearty endorsement of every populist.

THE appalling catastrophe of the century is said to have been visited upon the city of St Louis last night by a terrible cyclone. All telegraphic communication is shut off from the outside world and the reports in this morning's dailies are vague and gruesome. Fearful destruction however, was no doubt wrought in the city and on the Mississippi river. Conservative estimates place the number of people killed at one thousand. In addition to those who were killed in their houses and in the streets, hundreds of dead are beneath the waters of the Mississippi river. Of all the steamers on the levee when the storm broke out but one was left afloat. All the others went down, in many instances every soul on board being lost and others, not over two or three being able to reach a place of safety. The wind blowing at the velocity of eighty miles an hour raged for thirty minutes, carrying to destruction great buildings in the heart of the city and a part of the great Eads bridge. To add to the horrors of the scene fire broke out in many places and the city was left in darkness by the electric plants which were rendered incapable of service. It is impossible at the present time to get a correct estimate of the killed. The hospitals are full of the injured and the morgue is filled with the slain, while great numbers of the dead and maimed are lying among the ruins in all directions, so the latest information says.

Gordon—McLean.

On Wednesday evening June 3, in the Baptist church at Sherman, Texas, will occur the marriage of Mr. William D. Gordon and Miss Ruth W. McLean of that city. Mr. Gordon is well known in our city, having lived for a number of years in this county and having begun the practice of law in Brownwood. His friends here have all along rejoiced in his success in Sherman as a lawyer and now that he has won a case in the courts of love they have double reason to congratulate him. Rumors of the excellency of his choice have from time to time reached his friends in Brownwood. In advance the Bulletin extends best wishes.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Gold Standard Democrat Again.

Merritt, Tex., May 25.

Yes, Rox has spoken.—Do I think it would be the right thing to double the salary of our officers at one act? No, Rox, I believe salaries are too high now! In regard to the question as propounded by Rox I will say there is no difference between doubling a salary or reducing the price of "everthing" that the officer has to buy. But, Rox, everything has not been reduced. A public officer does not invest his salary entirely in calico, cornmeal, squashes, ect.; but suppose he has a desire to own a home? Again, he has to pay taxes; are the taxes lower? His meals still cost him the same old 25cts as in the year 1873; beef the same old thing as 20 years ago. How about house rent? But for argument's sake let us say everything but his salary has been reduced: or, to take Rox's view, money is as valuable again as in 1873. In 1873 cotton sold for 15cts a pound and last year for 7½cts. Twice 7½ is 15 and money is as valuable again. Where does the difference come in? Speak, Rox, speak! Wonder if Rox knows that our cotton crop since 1873 has increased 300 per cent and the population of the world only 20 per cent? Wonder if he knows that cotton went up and down, yes Rox, down to even 4cts long before that terrible crime of 1873? [illegible] that the state of Iowa raised enough corn to bread every man, woman and child in our land? Wonder if he knows!!

Rox skillfully dodges the question, if he would be willing to include the hired man in his financial millinium? He says that $15 per month was considered a fair price for farm labor when produce was up. Does it take more muscle to raise 10ct cotton than to raise 5ct cotton? Rox does not believe so, therefore he considered $15 fair wages yet. That is the hired man's salary. Now Rox proposes to double our circulating medium and therefore double the price of all commodities that the hireling has to buy. Rox considers it a great wrong for our county clerk for instance to receive the same salary he received 10 years ago, when now that salary buys twice as much as it did before. What name has he got for the proposition to double the price of all commodities and leave the wages of the hired man at $15 per month? Will two wrongs make one right?

Rox says that mules that sell for $20 now will sell for $40, cows would sell for $50; horses would sell for $100, and finally—debts would be easier settled. He asks can't even I see the difference? In regard to colts, cows and horses I cannot. In regard to debts yes, Rox, I can see the point! I can see the nigger in the woodpile, all wool and a yard wide. But, Rox, do you really believe it is an honest way to pay debts off with fifty cents on the dollar? If that is what we need, free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 is the stuff. To bring about that purpose it takes the cake, the pie and the basket. It is better than any universal bankruptcy law!

Let us see how the doubling of prices would help the poor renter. Rox, let me suppose a little. Suppose that renter in Rox's first letter after rent and wages were paid had left, as Rox said, $36 to square up accounts. Of course it took every dollar and in seven cases out of ten he did not square up. The net receipts from his year's labor was $36. His store account let us say was $40. This is below the average; for Rox, old boy, I know something along this line. At the end of the year the renter was in debt $40. Now the millenium has come; Joe Bailey and free silver. Everything went up double. The net receipts will be $72. The goods that he bought in the store cost him $80, and behold, in the millenium in spite of Tillman, Altgeld, Bailey and Frank Vaughn the renter is is $8 in the hole in place of $4. Let her go Gallagher! The mule colt will bring $40 where it now brings $20. All right! Rox, people do not want money for its own sake but for what it will buy. As long as you keep the almighty dollar in an old sock it is the sorriest kind of property. Money is a medium of exchange. It makes exchanges easier. Money is not the wheel of commerce, no Rox, it is only the grease that makes the wheel run more smooth. Suppose you sell your colt now and take the money and buy a cow. Your mule brought $20 and the cow cost you $20; it is the same as if you had swapped your mule for somebody else's cow; the money made the trade more easy. Suppose your colt would go up to $40 would not the cow go up the same way? Would not everything go up in the same proportion? The only difference I can see is that $2 would do the business that $1 does now. But those debts, Rox, those debts! Suppose again I could persuade Rox to loan me to-day $1 to be paid back 12 months after date. That dollar would buy now 4lbs of coffee for my friend and his family. That is the value of the dollar as compared with coffee. Next I would go all over our county preaching the doctrine of inflation and by the grace of God and the good looks of Bailey we would get the free and unlimited coinage of silver. With one stroke of the pen prices have been doubled; mule colts went up to $40; yes, Rox, but coffee went up to 50 cents a pound, and when I pay that dollar back to Rox, that new dollar will only buy 2 pounds of coffee. Do you not call that settling debts with 50 cents on the dollar? Lay your hand on your heart, Rox, and tell me would that be honest?

One more question, if you please. If it is wrong to pay to our officers the same old salary when money has doubled in value since the law was passed granting the salary, how can it be right to borrow a certain amount of dollars when money was dear and pay them off in the same [illegible] of dollars when money's amount has been reduced one-half.

J. STINEBAUGH.

Altoga Dots.

May 25, 1896.

Tom Steppe was badly cut by wire recently.

Mrs. Dunn is on the sick list

Crops are fine and harvest will begin at once.

Dr. Rucker was greeting old friends here Sunday.

C. F. Whitson and family visited near Verona Sunday.

John Massie and family visited John Garon's Sunday.

Parson Dunn will preach at Altoga next Sunday.

WHITEROCK.

He Liked It.

Monday evening J. T. Howard's little 3-year-old boy climbed up where a bottle of Booshe's German Syrup was and drank about a third of its contents. Considerable morphine is in this medicine and as its effects began to be seen the family became alarmed and summoned Dr. Poland, who administered an antidote and had the little fellow all right soon.—Farmersville Times.

The following named persons have become subscribers of THE DEMOCRAT since our last issue:

John Lake, Neola, Texas.
W. J. McNutt, Culleoka, Tex.
H. C. Parker, Layon, Texas.
Mrs. A. C. Cheek, Cleburne.
T. B. Elam, Nevada.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

RELIGIOUS.

The thirtieth session of the Dallas district conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, is in session in Plano. Several from McKinney are attending.

The League colors have beautiful significance. The white means purity "whiter than snow" and the yellow or gold means light. Purity and light.—That is what the League colors mean.—Epworth Era.

The Methodist Sunday school will have its annual picnic Thursday, June 4, at the usual place, near the Wilson creek bridge southwest of town.

Eld. R. C. Horn, who has been preaching for the Lebanon people for the past twenty-four years, will dedicate the new Christian church at that place next Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Morris, pastor of the McKinney Methodist church last year and the year before, is now in the midst of a grand revival at Bonham where he is stationed this year. More than 80 conversons and a great addition to the church are reported already.

Rev. J. H. Wofford, of this city, delivered the dedicatory sermon at the dedication of the new Cumberland Presbyterian church at Melissa Sunday. The church is a neat edifice, commodious enough for a larger town and was free from encumbrance when dedicated.

Eld. M. M. Davis, pastor of the First Christian church at Dallas, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon for the McKinney collegiate institute at the Baptist church next Sunday night. Eld. Davis is a very able preacher and doubtless all attending will hear a grand sermon.

Rev. J. M. Hunt will occupy the Baptist pulpit in this city next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the absence of Pastor J. M. Robertson, who preaches the Baccalaureate sermon for Nash's school in Sherman at that hour.

The Baptist meeting closed in this city Sunday night. Ten additions to the church by baptism four of whom were converted during the meeting, were made besides six received by letter and two reinstated. As a result of the meeting the membership is more firmly cemented in the bonds of brotherly love and a general revival of religious interest throughout the congregations of all the churches has been noted. Evangelist Mitchell and his singer, Vallie C. Hart, begin their next meeting in Galveston on the 31st inst.

After five years pastorate of the Old School Presbyterian church in this city Rev. G. A. Russell preached his farewell sermon Sunday night to his flock. Pastor Wofford of the C. P. church dismissed his congregation in order to hear Bro. Russell's adieu, and many of other denominations also were present. As yet Rev. Russell does not know where he may cast his lot, but we echo the sentiment of all our people, among whom he and his excellent family have resided so long, when we say that the flock so fortunate as to secure his watchful care as pastor will have a spiritual adviser, God-fearing and ever diligent in his Master's service. Rev. Russell carries with him to his labors in other fields the universal love and esteem of the citizens of McKinney.

Democratic Candidates.

McKinney fairly swarmed with democratic office seekers last Friday night, and until the hour of mid-night did each in his turn proclaim his desire for pie and smile upon the dear good people present. The district court room was filled chock full with voters—a mixture of Cleveland-Carlisle democrats, Tillman-Bailey democrats, Culberson-Dudley democrats, Dan Stuart democrats, Old Alcalde democrats, Blake democrats and several other democratic varieties, besides a considerable sprinkling of good natured populists who are always bent on "taking in" everything from a cock fight to a democratic rough-and-tumble scramble for pie. The sprangling republican party was also represented by a few straggling black and tans, both of the Cuney and Grant Brands, with here and there a lillie white. Of course, though, none but members of the prolific democratic strain occupied seats on the grand stand.

Tully Beverly kindly consented to act as master of ceremonies for the occasion, and called time.

Candidates for constable precinct No. 1 had the first inning, and immediately the breezes were stiflingly resonent with eloquence This is evidently a free for all entry, as all ages, from beardless youths with records to make, to gray-haired veterans whose records were already made, announced for this office.

Scarcely less eloquent were Esqs. Andrews and Faulkner who both want to be justice of the peace for precinct No. 1. In this "set to" the principals engaged in a spirited colloquy which caused a candidate for a state office, who happened to be present and sitting near, to flinch, fluke and move his chair to calmer quarters.

Commissioner Mac Smith made his bow and prefaced his announcement for the third term with "I am a democrat."

Bud Wilson who wants the same job for the first term, anyhow, said that Mr. Smith bunched his zeal for good roads too much about McKinney and neglected to improve the highways on the outskirts of the precinct. Mr. Wilson pledged himself, if elected, to begin his roadworking on the fronties and work towards McKinney to which place he would finally get, provided the voters retained him in office long enough.

Five candidates expressed a desire to serve the good people of Collin county as tax assessor. Tax Collector Knighton, Surveyor Shirley and County Clerk Walden were the curiosities of the evening—neither one had an opponent.

The sheriff's race waxed warm—in fact matters verged on a "white heat" for a short time. This is a four cornered affair, Messrs. Pafford, Smith, Coffey and McKinney being the contestants. The two latter are close blood relatives, but in the phraseology of the pugnacious Crain it is "war to the knife and knife to the hilt" with them. Each of the offices of county treasurer and district clerk had only two aspirants as have, also, the county judgeship, but the candidates for the latter office are after gore and consequently more interest centres in this race. Ex-Senator Finch and Judge Abernathy, the gentlemen who want to dignify that office are evidently both on the turf for the stakes. Finch is armed with a certified diagnosis of the county records during Aby's four consecutive terms of office and presents them in a manner that causes his hearers to get extremely anxious for Abby's explanation. In fact numerous grave charges such as back salary grabs, non-accounting for public school funds and court house rents, persistent violation of the statutes in drawing a salary instead of complying with the fee system, continued overdrawing of salary, negligence in making reports to the commissioner's court and many other minor charges are made and are backed by such evidence as affidavits by the county clerk and deputy county clerk. The Judge replied to these arraignments of his opponent in a vigorous manner, but spurned the idea of offering affidavits in rebutment of them. Withering sarcasm was employed by him in referring to his opponent and deputy county clerk, Ed. H. Keen. Taken all in all, this race for the nomination for county judge is probably the most interesting in the history of Collin county. Both candidates have warm supporters, while there are many who do not espouse the cause of either. This is proven by such expressions as the following from a stalwart democrat which we heard next day and which was on the same order as many others to be heard on our streets: "If what Abernathy and Finch told on each other is true one of them ought to be in the penitentiary and the other in the insane asylum."

Either the men who favor a single gold standard and the national bank system are right, or the populists favoring a fixed per capita of gold, silver and notes issued directly by the government are right. If the volume of money issued is not too large and there is no discrimination by the government the populists hold that parity will be preserved and that there will be no fluctuations in the price of commodities except those caused by the law of supply and demand. If they are wrong, to find it out by a trial will not cause us as much loss as the last six years of experiment with a gold standard, which has cost this country not less than ten billions in depreciated values and idle labor. The people pay for Wall street experiments, why not for their own? Confederate money, Mississippi money and Louisiona money was worth as much as gold until we issued too much and lost battles enough to cause a loss of confidences. If you invite ten men to dine with you and set a whole turkey before each, turkey will be at a discount; if just enough turkey to satisfy each appetite, turkey will be on a parity, but if they are hungry and you only allow one small slice to each, turkey will be at a premium.—Barney Gibbs.

TO TEACHERS OF COLLIN COUNTY.

Plano, Texas, April 21st 1896.

How do you expect to spend your vacation? Do you contemplate attending a Summer Normal Institute, a School of Methods, or a Chautauqua that you may be better prepared to enter upon your duties next year? Are you seeking that self improvement necessary to advancement in your special line of work? Have you entered upon teaching as a life work and if so have you considered seriously the sacredness of your undertaking? Don't you think you can obtain valuable information from the experiences of your fellow teachers by associating yourself with them in a Summer Normal Institute?

True you may be able to get impiric methods from our leading periodicals, and you may drink deep from Herbert Spencer, Pestilozzi, and Rousseau, but that is not sufficient to keep the fires of zeal and inspiration aglow, How does that man advance in the christian life who never attends upon the services of the church, but contents himself with his home reading and worship? That is good as far as it goes but his duties are so evident that further discussion is useless. So it is in your case, dear teacher.

Institutes there are and Summer Normal Schools established for you, and will you reject what has been especially preparad for you?

Study carefully, dear teacher, your duty to the profession before planning for the vacation. If you are in hearty sympathy with the cause and in love with your work your association with your fellow workers in a Summer Normal will be a recreation instead of a burden. In fact the true teacher finds no better recreation than the pleasureable employment that qualifies him for nobler services.

Yours truly,

J.R. Hendrix,
Conductor.

But Seven Impeachment Trials.

Ex-President Harrison discusses "Impeachment" in his "This Country of Ours" article in June Ladies Home Journal. He presents the constitutional provisions for the impeachment of high officials, and recalls that the process has been put into operation but seven times. William Blount a senator from Tennessee, was the first official to be tried on impeachment proceedings. His trial occurred in 1797. The others were: John Pickerin, a United States District Judge for New Hampshire, in 1803; Justice Samuel Chase of the United States Supreme Court, about the same time; James H. Peck, Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Missouri in 1830; Judges H[illegible] Humphreys of the United States District Court for the District of Tennessee in 1862; President Andrew Johnson in 1868; William W. Belknap, Secretary of War in 1876. There were but two convictions—Judge Pickering and Judge Humphreys.

A False Assertion.

Look into the drunkard's home if you would see the track of the cloven hoof. The horrors of the whiskey traffic cannot be told in the language of men. We must content ourselves to wait to see its fruits on the other side—in eternity.

No man nor woman can ever know how to properly abhor its awful work until he or she has suffered from its effect, until some dear relative or friend has been sunken into almost eternal ruin by its damnable power. The assertion that a great many people are constantly making, "Why, whiskey has never done me any harm," is to every right seeing mind, positively false. While, perhaps, it has never secured an iron clasp upon you, or any of your immediate family or relatives, it has damned thousands of your fellow humans—and you need no proof of it, you need not live elsewhere but in some remote backwoods district to see it demonstrated—and we are all brothers and are taught to love thy neighbor as thyself. Nine cases out of ten people who make this assertion love the stuff themselves—perhaps not to an excess, but like to have it just when they want it—and are willing to see see others go down into the gulf and sink beneath the mad vortex, rather than sacrifice their own selfish appetite and desire, a spirit conceived by and born of the devil.

J. F. S.

Princeton, Texas.

State and Senatorial Delegates.

The following is a correct list of delegates to the state and senatorial conventions selected by the populist county convention in McKinney, May 18,—the same delegates attend both conventions:

Prect. No. 1: Delegates—E. F. England, C. E. Obenchain, E. W. Kirkpatrick, W. T. Marriott, J. T. Branch, William Kerby.

Alternates—F. C. Thompson, John Johnson, Sr., A. S. Graves, J. W. Gray, J T. Melton, R. D. Allison.

Prect. No. 2: Delegates—L. L. Miller, R. T. Ballinger, A. J. Kemp, J. L. Mayes, M. N. Stroup.

Alternates—J. R. Self, J. Gotcher, J. A. Spaugh, L. Holt, John Foster, J. T. Howard.

Prect. No. 3: Delegates—C. M. Harris, J. F. Cave, J. Sportman.

Alternates—G. H. Wakefield, W. F. Price, Abe Walker.

Prect. No. 4: Delegates—A. D. Stelzer, E. A. Guynn.

Alternates—L. H. Adamson, J. E. Bateman.

Prect. No. 5: Delegates—E. C. Forbes, F. P. Skelton, J. Bishop.

Alternates—A. H. McCarty, A. W. McDonald, R. T. Spivey.

Prect. No. 6: Delegates—John Neely, T. B. Carroll.

Alternates—W. S. Collingsworth, Mr. Reese.

Prect. No. 7, Delegates—J. W. Younger, J. O. McMinn, B. F. Ivey.

Alternates—W. S. Cox, W. T. Thompson, Eli Fields.

Prect. No. 8: Delegates—C. F. Trotter, T. A. Pruett, Dr. W. T. Fuller.

Alternates—N. R. Williamson, J. H. Williamson, C. Pate.

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Raise The Standard.

The time for teachers to apply for schools is at hand. Trustees will soon be elected and will soon be ready to contract with teachers. Let trustees be careful to employ good teachers this year. Get wide awake teachers; teachers who expect to follow teaching as a profession and make it their life work.

No man can be successful at anything unless his heart is in that work. Trustees, get a teacher this year who has his heart in his teaching. Don't be [illegible] ask the applicant for your school what party he belongs to, but lay party politics aside for a few moments and find out if the applicant is a teacher from principle or merely for the dollars and cents that he may get into something else. Of course the teacher must have the dollars and cents, but he should not teach school merely as a stepping stone to something else.

Have a teacher to teach your school next year. There is a hope that the pro rata will be a little better this year that it was last, and there are many good teachers in Collin. Get one of them for your school next year, you can do it. Ask the applicant for your school if he will attend the normal at McKinney this summer and prepare himself for better work; and if not, why not?.

Let's raise the standard of the public school; we can do it, and this is one way.

A TEACHER.

Play Ball.

McKinney presented a forsaken appearance Wednesday afternoon. Cause: nearly all the business houses closed to attend a match game of base ball at Foote's park between the grocery clerks and the dry goods clerks, for the benefit of the Ladies Cemetery association. The players were "diked" in mother hubbards, the grocery boys in red and the drygoods nine in yellow. Franklin and Warden were the battery for the former and Estes and Ben Oates for the latter. Mickie McDonald did the umpire act to the satisfaction of all. Of course some professional (?) playing was witnessed, but the boys in yellow had to succumb to defeat by a score of 18 to 8. The occasion was an enjoyable diversion for our people and the ladies of the cemetery association, who managed the affair, were rewarded handsomely for their enterprise.

ELECTION NOV. 3

We are authorized to announce For Constable, Ind'nt., Precinct No. 1, MARVEL WILLIAMS.

Subject to the peoples party. For constable precinct No. 2. R D HICKMAN.

Subject to the action of the democratic party.
For Constable Precinct No. 1.
HARRY McDONALD.
J. C. BOONE.
J. E. CAMPBELL.
J. C. KERBY
For Justice of Peace Precinct No 1
J. T. ANDREWS.
J H FAULKNER
For District Court Clerk
E R HALL
For County Clerk
J. A. WALDEN
For Co. Supt. of Schools
W. W. SHEPHERD

CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Concerning People and Home Events of Interest to All.

Go to Sneed's for furniture.

Misses Davie Jasper and Verna Jones, of Plano, visited here, Friday.

Mineral paint at Denton's Pharmacy.

The Illinois populist club has endorsed C. L Snyder for commissioner.

Stoves repaired at second hand store 2 doors east of postoffice.

Capt. Blewett is at Weston and Rock Hill this week.

Don't forget the Nickle Store. Next door to postoffice.

Mrs. Ben Oats is spending the week at Vineland.

W. D. Goostree will sell you groceries at lowest figures. Try him.

Lem Oldham, of the Mississippi Store, is sick in Bonham.

WANTED.—T. J. Melton wants some of those country hams you have for sale.

Grandma Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. D. Goodin and little daughter, Ora, are visiting in Rockwall this week.

Try a can of Hopkins' Steamed Hominy (hulled corn). It is delicious.

Internal Revenue Collector J. L. Doggett, of Dallas, was in McKinney Wednesday.

When you want to rent a house come and see Frank Mack, up stairs next door to Racket Store.

Dr. Will Crutcher left yesterday for Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where he will practice his profession.

A good hair brush is worth lots of hair tonics. Smith Bros.

Mrs. P. H. Dean, of Waco, is the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Goodner, in this city.

Don't forget P. E. Denton is a painter and paper hanger contractor.

Little Florence Davis has been quite sick for the past few days.

There are two places where satisfaction can always be found, in the dictionary and in the use of our flavoring extracts. Smith Bros.

Eld, and Mrs. R. C. Horn and Eld. S. W. Crutcher attended the district convention of the Christian church in Van Alstyne this week.

J. J. Rogers, the piano and organ agent, guarantees satisfaction to customers.

A lively fist and skull fight on our streets aroused a little buzz of excitement Tuesday afternoon.

Great bargains in window shades at J. T. Nale's

Misses Myrtie Burger and Lula Allison, of the McKinney Methodist choir, went to Bonham Tuesday to assist in singing in Rev. J. L. Morris' revival that is now in progress in that city.

Weak, pale and sickly women and children made healthy and rosy cheeked by using Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla. 50 cents and 50 doses.

Two runaways occurred in McKinney Tuesday, both delivery wagons No serious damage was done except the slight injury of John Wood, one of the drivers

I extend a special invitation to The Democrat's readers to visit my store.
T. J. Melton.

Grandma Lee, a very old lady, died Wednesday at the residence of Tom Recer in this city She will be buried today at Pecan Grove cemetery, Rev D J Martin conducting the services.

Ed Bomar and Jesse Atkinson made a brief visit to Chicago last week.

You have stepped out of your winter clothes. If you don't watch the moths will step in. We have camphor moth balls to put away with them.
Smith Bros.

Fred Burnett and Ray Wallace had their names enrolled as members of the state Pharmaceutical association which was in session at Dallas last week.

R. G. Hughes will canvass Collin county selling the Estey and other leading makes of organs and pianos.

M. A. Wright, a hale old Parker citizen, was in McKinney, Friday, and honored our office with a brief visit,

That tired, languid feeling cured by using Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla. 50 cents and 50 doses. Purifies the blood. Appetiser and strengthener.

Sterling Coffey had a fine horse to die last Thursday

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There will be no flies on you if you will purchase some sticky fly paper. We have the best makes.
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Mrs W. L. Harris and Miss Ollie Johnson, of Gray Bill, were in McKinney Saturday.

If you need your wagon scales repaired, or new ones built, call on R. V. Daughetee, B. 39, McKinney, Tex.

We regret to learn that T. A. Pruitt of Blue Ridge is suffering with rheumatism.

Paints, oils, varnishes, putty, glass, etc., at Denton's Pharmacy.

Rheumatism has caused Ed Largent to hobble about on crutches for a few days recently.

Oil for all kind of machinery always on hand at Wallace & Everett's.

Judge Geo. W. Riddle, of Hood county, was in McKinney the latter part of last week in the interest of his candidacy for railroad commissioner.

We have a line of toilet waters, so perfect as to crowd nature, Lavender, Violet, Amorilas and Floida water.
Smith Bros., East Side.

Capt. John D. Page of this city shipped a fine $40 Poland-China hog to Southern Texas, Friday.

T. J. Melton conducts a grocery store that is a grocery establishment in every sense of the term. If you want anything in the grocery line find him your order and don't worry over whether he has got what you want or not-just send in your order and he will fill it for you.

After a few day's visit to her parents in this city, Miss. Mary Crutcher returned to Sherman, Monday, where she is teacher of the preparatory department in the Carr-Burdette college.

Thousands of cases of Consumption, Asthma, Coughs, Colds and Croup are cured every day by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by C. C. Provine.

R. V. Daughetee, scale builder and repairer, was plying his trade in Allen several days last week.

Impoverished blood causes that tired feeling. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood and gives vigor and vitality.

J. F. Stinson, one of Collin county's most successful farmers, was in McKinney, Friday, and renewed for The Democrat and subscribed for the Dallas Semi-weekly News.

Honesty is just as great a virtue in pants as in a man. The BUCKSKIN BREECHES are the most faithful honest goods that we know how to make. Honest seams, honest buttons, honest wear. We've gotten all the goodness we know how to squeeze in, in these breeches. We go still further, and refund your money if they are not just as represented.

For Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint you have a printed guarantee on every bottle of Shiloh's Vitalizer. It never fails to cure. For sale by C. C. Provine.

Glenn Stiff has sold his residence in this city to Dr. Throckmorten and will move to Pilot Point. Will Boone and Jesse Warden have purchased Mr. Stiff's lease of the Foote park.

Any one who has ever had an attack of inflammatory rheumatism will rejoice with Mr. J. A. Stumm, 220 Boyle Heights, Los Angelese, over his fortunate escape from a siege of that distressing ailment. Mr. Stumm is foreman of Merriam's confectionery establishment. Some months ago, on leaving the heated work room to run across the street on an errand, he was caught out in the rain. The result was that when ready to go home that night he was unable to walk, owing to inflamatory rheumatism. He was taken home, and on arrival was placed in front of a good fire and thoroughly rubbed with Chamberlain's Pain Balm. During the evening and night he was repeatedly bathed with this liniment, and by morning was relieved of all rheumatic pains. He now takes especial pleasure in praising Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and always keeps a bottle of it in the house. For sale by City Drug Store.

Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick is spoken of as a probable candidate for county treasurer on the populist ticket. Mr. K. is one of Collin's best and most progressive citizens and has been one of the most faithful workers in the populist party.—McKinney Gazette.

While in Stockton, Cal., some time ago, Thos. F. Langan, of Los Banos, that state, was taken very severely with cramps and diarrhoea. He chanced to meet with Mr. C. M. Carter, who was similarly afflicted. He says: "I told him of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and we went to the Holden Drug Store and procured a bottle of it. It gave Mr. Carter prompt relief and I can vouch for its having cured me." For sale by City Drug Store.

Van Webster, who has been recuperating his health at San Antonio several months, is now at San Marcos. We are glad to state that he is realizing the object of his sojourn in that fine climate.

It's not a bed bug this time, but a red bug. Had you ever thought of the many names he goes by? "Chegre, chigoe and jigger." but most people call him plain "Chigger." We do not know how to keep him off you. After he is on we have all the remedies.
Smith Bros., Druggists.

A young man named Howard, whom Sheriff Moulden was conducting to the Terrell Insane asylum, leaped through an open car window just as the train was pulling out of Allen, Saturday, but was recaptured by Deputy John Young, who happened to be near, after a lively race of a few yards. Howard was brought to McKinney early Saturday morning from near Gray Bill, his home, and is said to be very badly demented. He cunningly got the drop on the sheriff by calling for a drink of water which Mr. Moulden gave him and while returning the empty cup to its position in the car Howard leaped from the window as above stated.

Don't think because you are sick and nothing seems to give you relief that you can't be cured. There must be a cure for you somewhere. If your doctor can't cure you, perhaps he has mistaken the cause. Anybody is liable to make a mistake sometimes. One in three of us suffer from indigestion, and one out of three dyspeptics doesn't know it. That is, he may know he is sick, but he blames it to something else. Indigestion is the cause of half of our dangerous diseases. Shaker Digestive Cordial, made from tonic medicinal roots and herbs, is the most natural cure for indigestion. It relieves the symptoms and cures the disease gently, naturally, efficiently, giving fresh life, strength and health to sick dyspeptics. Sold by druggists. Trial bottle 10 cents.

L. Calhoun, of the Industrial Educator, Fort Worth, was in McKinney this week attending the funeral of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Sarah J. Calhoun. Mr. Calhoun is one of the leading peoples party journalists in the south and a talented gentleman. He honored The Democrat with a brief visit Monday.

Save Your Life

By using "THE NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the Kidneys, Bladder and Back in male or female. It relieves retention of water, and pain in passing it almost immediately. Save yourselves by using this marvelous cure. Its use will prevent fatal consequences in almost all cases by its great alterative and healing powers. Sold by Erwin & Fant, druggists, McKinney, Texas.

Our soda looks right, tastes right and is right. It is pure, delicious and refreshing. The best apparatus, choicest flavors. Even those who do not ordinary drink soda like it. Try a glass of our orange phosphate.
Smith Bros.

Louiza Blankenship, wife of J. S. Blankenship, died at her home near Tom Bean in Grayson county on May 22, of blood poison. Mrs. Blankenship formerly lived at Nevada in Collin county. She had a host of friends to mourn her departure.

We wish to announce to the public that we are prepared to furnish the famous remedy, Mi-cro-line, that has created such astonishing cures and worked such miracles, causing such excitement in medical circles by its most marvelous curative properties. There is no other remedy like it, and it is daily curing cases all over the state that have refused to yield to other treatment. It is a certain cure for Rheumatism, Catarrh, Cancerous sores, Blood, Liver and Kidney Diseases. Don't fail to try it. Sold by
ERWIN & FANT,
WALLACE & EVERETT,
Druggists.

Mrs. G. L. Blewett, who has been visiting her son in this city, returned to her home in Richardson, Monday. We are sorry to hear that she was taken severely ill soon after arriving home. Mrs. Blewett is 77 years old and has been a resident of Collin county for fifty years.

Afflicted For Years.

Mr. R. B. Goodman, Marietta, Ga., says: "I was troubled with rheumatism, which the doctors called sciatica, for a number of years, doctoring with everything I could hear of, without benefit, until I commenced with Dr. King's Royal Germetuer, which cured me sound and well. I was at times, for several months, so I could not walk at all. I have now been thoroughly well of it for four years, and think there is no medicine that can equal Germetuer." Write to The Atlanta Chemical Co., Atlanta, Ga. for 48 page book, free. New package, large bottle, 108 doses, $1. For sale by Smith Bros.

The Sherman, Shreveport and Southern will run a special Excursion Train from McKinney to Musgrove Springs, Sunday May 31. Distance 89 miles from McKinney. Fare 50 cents for the round trip. Train will leave McKinney 7 a. m. Train will not stop east of Greenville, except for water, arrive at Musgrove about 11 a. m. Returning leave Musgrove about 4 p. m. arrive at McKinney about 8 p. m.
E. M. Alvord, Supt. J. W. Chatham, G. P. A.

WANTED:—I have many good customers, but I want a number more. Call on me at once at my grocery store, South Tennessee street, T. J. Melton

The tenth annual meeting and fair of the Texas State Horticultural society will be held in Tyler July 8, 9 and 10. A large premium list is offered and an excellent programme has been announced. We note that our fellow townsman, E. W. Kirkpatrick, has been assigned to several places on the programme.

Whooping Cough

There is no danger from this disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is freely given. It liquefies the tough mucus and aids its expectoration. It also lessens the severity and frequency of paroxysms of coughing, and insures a speedy recovery. There is not the least danger in giving the remedy to children or babies, as it contains no injurious substance. For sale by City Drug Store.

10,000 Vineless Yam Potato Plants for sale at 25 cents per hundred, Come and give your order to me. Office in Newsome building, up stairs.
FRANK W. MACK.

Ask your physician, your druggist and your friends about Shiloh's Cure Consumption. They will recommend it. For sale by C. C. Provine.

T. J. Melton realizes these are hard times and sells groceries accordingly.

For bargains in bed room suits go to J. T. Nale, first door east of postoffice.

R. G Hughes will sell you an organ or piano at factory prices. Office with J. T. Couch, McKinney,

Take your produce to W.D. Goostree's for the best market prices.

Look out! for J. J. Rogers, the organ and piano man.

T. J. Melton offers you bargains in groceries. Excellence guaranteed both in quality and prices.

We hope that a postoffice will be established at Westminster, 6 miles east of Anna, as we understand a petition for the same is now being circulated There is a store and school at the point which is several miles distant from a postoffice. The convenience of the people of that community doubtless demands a postoffice located there.

The Denison Normal college and school of Elocution and Oratory, Prof. P. B. H. Shearer principal, has its annual commencement exercises June 1, 2, 3 and 4. We acknowledge the receipt of a beautiful programme of the same, and notice that Col. J. M. Pearson, of this city, will deliver the baccalaureate address June 4.

Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla imparts new life and energy to all parts of the body. Good as well for baby as for grand-father. 50 cents and 50 doses.

Low Vacation Rates.

Effective June 1st, 1896, and cantinuing until Sept. 30th., 1896, the Queen and Crescent Route will offer low reduced rates for the round trip to all the prominent resorts in the North. Fine equipment, fast time, and close connections make this route the choice of summer tourists. Full infomation with regard to rates, schedules and sleeping car fares will be given on application to any Agent of the G.&C.
I. Hardy, G. P. A
New Orleans La.,

A New Wrinkle.

With each 50ct bottle of 'Cheatham's Chill Tonic'' you get FREE a three months subscription to any of the following papers: Texas Farm and Ranch, Christian Courier, Baptist Herald and Christian Advocate. Smith Bros. East side,

Karl's Clover Root Tea is a sure cure for Headache and nervous diseases. Nothing relieves so quickly. For sale by C. C. Provine.

Buy your buggy whips of J. H. Sneed.

Denton's standard paints at Denton's Pharmacy

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the blood and gives a clear and beautiful complexion. For sale by C. C. Provine.

Buy your baby buggies at J. H. Sneed's.

Did you ever use any of our laudanum paregoric, ginger or spirits camphor? If not, why? You can. The price and quality is right. Smith Bros.
Prescription Druggists.

Health and sweet breath secured by Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Price 50 cents. Nasal Injector free. For sale by C. C. Provine.

Clarence, the 9 months old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allen, died Tuesday night, and its little body was laid to rest in Pecan Grove cemetery Wednesday evening. The parents brothers and sisters have the sympathy of all in this sad visitation of death to their household.

English Spavin Liniment removes all Hard, Soft or Calloused Lumps and Blemishes from horses, Blood Spavins, Curbs, Splints, Sweeney, Ring Bone, Stifles, Sprains, all Swollen Throats, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful Blemish Cure ever known. Sold by Erwin & Fant, druggists, McKinney, Texas.

La Blache Face Powder in all colors at Smith Bros.

Consumption, La Grippe, Pneumonia and all Throat and Lung diseases are cured by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by C. C. Provine.

NOTICE.

Jury script taken at par in payment for groceries at cash prices. WILCOX & ROGERS.

Constipation causes more than half the ills of women. Karl's Clover Root Tea is a pleasant cure for constipation For sale by C. C. Provine.

C. B. Moore was in McKinney yesterday exhibiting green oat blades. The peculiar point regarding the green blades was that each contained a clear outline of a capital B. Mr. Moore explained that said B meant blood and that it was always found on the blades just before a war—and ajways afterwards for that matter.

$100 REWARD

For a case of Rheumatism, Indigestion, Constipation, Female Diseases, or any disease of the blood that cannot be cured by Dr. Thurmond's Blood Syrup. One of the most substantial and leading merchants of Pilot Point, writes: "My wife was in extremely bad health for three years, after trying everything that was recommended by friends, as well as by several of the leading physicians, without relief, she took four bottles of Dr. Thurmond's Blood Syrup and to our entire satisfaction. She was entirely cured." W. T. Scott.
It is a great remedy, and is sold by R. E. Bristol.

Good soda is a luxury because it is hard to find. Our soda please all the faculties. Smith Bros.

A Gin For Sale Or Trade.

We have a neat, complete, new cotton gin with appurtenances that have cost $1175, to trade for real estate in or near McKinney. We have on hands more machinery than we can look after, and propose to give a good bargain, would not object to cash and would make terms very reasonable.
F. M. THOMPSON.
Gazette Office.

WANTED.

A teacher to teach our school. He must hold a good certificate, be of good moral character, must attend the normal this summer and prepare himself for better work, and be otherwise a lively, wideawake, energetic teacher who intends to make teaching his life work, and does so from choice.
TRUSTEES.

Prevention
better than cure. Tutt's Liver Pills will not only cure, but if taken in time will prevent
Sick Headache,
dyspepsia, biliousness, malaria, constipation, jaundice, torpid liver and kindred diseases.
TUTT'S Liver PILLS
ABSOLUTELY CURE.

Card of Thanks.

With profound gratitude we return our most sincere thanks to the good people of McKinney and vicinity for their assistance, condolence and sympathy in our sad bereavement in the the loss of our daughter and sister.

We first desire to thank the estimable and charitable ladies whose hearts seemed replete with sympathy for the living and respect and love for the dead. We wish to assure them that their many acts of gentleness and goodness at the home and the grave to some extent assuages our ebulitions of grief and partially mitigated our sorrow caused by our great loss.

We next return our thanks to our gentleman friends and acquaintances, who so nobly rendered their acts of kindness and assistance.

And last but not least do we wish to tender our most grateful respects to Brother Russell whom we regard as one of nature's noblemen. His hearty hand shake, kind look and gentle benediction bespoke for him a love for humanity unbounded by sect or creed. He seemed imbued with the spirit of one of our great men who once said: "Man's inhumanity to man has caused countless millions to mourn." He almost made us to hope that man will yet judge his brother man according to his acts instead of his declarations.
Most respectfully
W. H. LOVE AND FAMILY.

Oils! Oils! Oils!

Attention, Farmers!
Lard oil.
Lubricating oil.
Castor oil.
Machine oil.
Cylinder oil.
A full line of oils always on hand at Wallace & Everett's.

Commencement Programme.

Exercises of the McKinney public high school to be held at the Opera house Friday May 29, 1896.

Invocation—Rev. D. J. Martin.
Music.
Salutatory—What is Fate?—Lou Atkinson.
Essay—Is Poverty a Curse?—Anna H. Starr.
Oration—Conversation—Joseph A Mayes.
Music.
Essay—Sweet Sixteen—Ellie M Ball.
Oration—Education apart from Study—Harvey A. Abernathy.
Essay—I Know and I Don't Know—Lena R. Love.
Music.
Essay—Influence of Kind words—Sadie C. Kirkpatrick.
Essay—Know Thyself—Mary Waldine Russell.
Oration—Great Invention—A Blaine Smith.
Music.
Essay—The Beneficent Influence of Love—Jessie Stiff.
Oration—The Boy is Father to the Man—J. B. Stiteler, Jr.
Essay—Eloquence—Alwilda D. Coffey.
Music.
Oration—Stepping Stones—Geo. Alexander Russell, Jr.
Essay—Wisdom is Wealth—Ella Kitchen.
Valedictory—Influence of Woman—Nellie Fox.
Presentation of Diplomas—Hon. J. M. Pearson.
Benediction—Rev. J. H. Wofford.

Exercises will begin promptly at 8:15 p. m. All friends of education are invited to be present. Admission free.

Marriage Bells.

Licenses to wed issued by County Clerk J. A. Walden since our last report:

G F Allen and	Miss	Rhoda Gibson
W S Keyes	"	Mida Aven
H T Wood	"	Mary Martin
W M Sneed	"	M L Carter
G W Davis	"	Alice Gist
T Pierce	"	Paralee Edwards
J W Cole	"	E L Young
J M Ogle	"	C B Maynard
C Hand	"	Maggie Brennan
W Hardson	"	Mollie Tostan
T H Swann	"	Della Rick
J C Murphy	"	Lizzie Mayes

Nathan Johnson and Mrs. Caroline Spencer.

Remnant Sale Number 2

AT THE

Mississippi Store.

We will have our second Big Remnant Sale for this year on Thursday and Saturday,

JUNE 4th AND 6th.

You will find upon our counters on those days Remnants of all kinds of

Silks, Satins, Wool Dress Goods, Wash Goods, and odd lots of

Hosiery, Slippers, Shirts, Clothing

All of which will be sold exactly at

Half Of Regular Price.

Those who have attended any of our previous

Remnant Sales

Testify that we do just what we say. You will find a great variety of seasonable goods among the Remnants and short lengths that you will buy if you see them.

Remember the dates and come out. It will be a picnic for all Bargain Hunters.

Don't forget that we include all odd lots of Clothing, Shirts, Slippers and Shoes.

MILLINERY 1-3 OFF ON THESE DAYS.

Respectfully,

PERRY, OLDHAM & CO.

Death of Mrs. Calhoun.

Mrs. Sarah J. Calhoun, relict of the late Dr. Calhoun of this city, died in Fort Worth Saturday night May 23, from the effects of an operation for a tumor. This was shocking news to her many friends in McKinney who were not aware of the serious nature of her sickness. The deceased entered St. Joseph's Infirmary at Fort Worth last week to have the operation performed knowing that many chances, if she submitted to the operation, were against her. But she also knew that her days could be only a few, at longest, without relief, so she bravely submitted to the operation which was performed at 11 o'clock Saturday, and death ensued a few hours later ere she rallied from the effects of the opiates. The remains were shipped up on the north bound train next morning and the funeral took place from her late residence on West Louisiana street, the chapter of the Eastern Star conducting the services. The funeral cortege was made up of nearly one hundred vehicles. Burial at Pecan Grove cemetery. The aged mother and relatives have the sympathy of our entire people with whom THE DEMOCRAT joins in expressions of sorrow at the loss of so noble a christian lady.

Popular with the Republicans.

The Old Reliable Texas and Pacific railway will be the "Popular Route" for the great national republican convention at St. Louis commencing June 16. No effort will be spared to provide for the comfort of all who use this line. Special trains will be run, with elegant day coaches and chair cars, and Pullman sleepers, and you will be wise to send in your name now for necessary accommodations, as the attendance promises to be the largest for any convention yet held. Tickets will be sold via the Texas & Pacific Railway at rate of One Lowest Limited First class Fare For the round trip on June 8th, 9th, 13th, 14th and 15th, good for return until June 21st, 1896. For tickets, sleeping car accommodations, or any further information call on nearest Texas & Pacific agent, or
GASTON MESLIER, G. P. & T. A.,
19 Dallas, Texas.

"Deestrick Skule."

"Deestrick Skule of 50 years ago" will be rendered in Heard's opera house next Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock by the pupils of the McKinney Institute and a number of the elder ladies and gentlemen of the town. President and disciplinarian, Col. J. S. Jenkins; teacher, Mrs. Dr. Wiley; board of trustees and examiners, Eld. S. W. Crutcher, Capt. J.S. Dowell and Dr. W.T. Moore. Some splendid vocal (?) music will be a diversion and a royal evening of fun is guaranteed to all attending. The entertainment will be under the auspices of the ladies of the cemetery association who will share the proceeds with Prof. Dodson on repairs for the building.

Admission—15 years and under 25cts, Adults 35cts.

ROYAL Baking Powder.
Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. May 28, '96, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Allcorn Fannie	Had Fannie
Brown Mary	Hayes Susie
Blankenship Minnie	
Irvin Ethul or Esthu	
Burks Nancy	Innon Saran S
Farley Sallie	Jordan David
Griffin Eliza J	Martin M A
Gross Bell	Redden Mary
Moris Annie	Walkins Jamie
Hammond Jamie	Wheeler Susie

GENTLEMEN.

Brooks J T	Lively Granville
Antony Albert	Lowry R H
Consie Jekel	Lockhart A
Dadie Benj	Pool G A
Hamilton J A	Powers Claude
Hills Fanny	Schumpee Tom
Hall R E	Wilson W T
Reader J W,	

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.
MRS. M. A. CAMERON,
Postmistress.

WILL TRADE

an organ or a sewing machine for wood.
M. B. REXRODE,
McKinney, Texas.

BUSINESS BARGAINS.

In This Column will be Found Items of Interest to Those who Would Save Money.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

Large and small window glass—all sizes—at City Drug Store.

M. B. Rexrode will sell you a Chicago Cottage organ, the most popular organ in the South-West, on time to suit purchaser. Discount for cash.

My stock of groceries is complete and fresh. My prices cannot be beaten Give me a trial.—W. D. Goostree.

J. H. Sneed respectfully invites the public to inspect his furniture and prices.

Prescriptions filled with purest drugs and whiskies or brandy at City Drug Store.

The famous Nickel Store's popularity increases with age.

Democrats, republicans and populists all agree that trading with the Nickle Store is the best financial policy.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Now is the time for cough and la grippe cures and you can find all the standard ones at City Drug Store.

Spend your nickles at the Nickle Store.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.—Three hundred and twenty acres of land near Breckinridge, Stephens county, Texas; all under fence. Call or write to The Democrat for further information.

When in McKinney bring your families to W. D. Goostree's grocery store and see his large stock.

Nickle Store for bargains.

I invite all my old customers to call and see me. J. W. Asbury.

A BUSINESS CHANCE.—If you want to buy a half interest in a first-class machine and blacksmith shop in Ardmore, I. T., call or write to The Democrat, McKinney, Texas. Terms one-half cash, balance in notes.

M. B. Rexrode, one door south of the Collin County bank will sell you an organ cheaper than any dealer in McKinney, quality considered, either the Chicago, Cottage, Packard, Miller or Sterling. Also will order a piano either of 22 different makes at a closer margin than any dealer in the county, cash or installment. Give him a call. All instruments guaranteed for five years.

W. D. Goostree has one of the most complete grocery stocks in North Texas.

A car load of the well known Sherwin Williams paint just received at the City Drug Store.

J. W. Asbury will repair furniture

Wonders of the age at the Nickel store—call and see for yourself.

Screen doors, window shades, picture frames and baby buggies at J. H. Sneed's.

Folding beds at J. T. Nale's. First door east of postoffice

We contract paint work and paper hanging and will guarantee satisfaction at City Drug Store.

"See the Nickle Store's mammoth stock of useful articles.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Fortify yourself for the season. Dr Simmons' Sarsaparilla will correct all impure blood, giving health, life and happiness. Only 50 cents and 50 doses.

Patent Star Oil for harness, saddles shoes and buggy tops makes a fine dressing strickly water proof. Manufactured by H. T. Brantley. Sold by Wallace & Everett, druggists; at the Central wagon yard, McKinney,

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

For Sale

135—107½—105½—40 and 37½ acres, all good, black land in Collin county, near McKinney, nearly all in cultivation and well improved. See Dr. Abbott, McKinney, Tex.

FOR SALE:—A high grade organ. Call on The Democrat.

Our spring stock of wall paper, the largest ever brought to McKinney, and the prices will astonish you. Call and see at City Drug Store.

Old newspapers for sale at The Democrat office. Price, 25 cents, per hundred.

J. W. Asbury will sell you furniture for less than it is worth.

See P. E. Denton for paper hanging and painting.

Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment
Is unequalled for Eczema, Tetter, Salt-Rheum, Scald Head, Sore Nipples, Chapped Hands, Itching Piles, Burns, Frost Bites, Chronic Sore Eyes and Granulated Eye Lids. For sale by druggists at 25 cents per box.

TO HORSE OWNERS.
For putting a horse in a fine healthy condition try Dr. Cady's Condition Powders. They tone up the system, aid digestion, cure loss of appetite, relieve constipation, correct kidney disorders and destroy worms, giving new life to an old or over-worked horse. 25 cents per package. For sale by druggists.

Queensware, glassware and lamps at J. T. Nales First door east of postoffice.

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MANDOLINS,
Importers of and Wholesale Dealers in all kinds of MUSICAL MERCHANDISE,
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Pain comes out
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Is a famous remedy of a famous physician, for general household use. It cures
PAIN OR INFLAMMATION
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W. N. COLLIER, Local Agent.

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DR. McGORK'S INVIGORATOR, Enlarges and Strengthens the Organs
DR McGORK'S INVIGORATOR, at all Drug Stores $2 per Bottle.
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W. S. KEENAN, G. P. A., Galveston, Texas.
W. A. TULWT, P. A., Dallas, Texas.

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Land monopoly is the bane of the world, and is a subject with which our people should consider of the most vital importance. As the right to the soil is as much an inalienable right as that of working for bread. Depressing a man of either is a violation of both moral and secular laws. Land monopoly is shown by history to be the bane of the world. Great nations have arisen, ruled and fallen, and in each instance the lesson has been taught that when such burdens have been laid upon the masses and the masses were deprived of earning bread from the soil their doom was sealed. Back in the dim distance of time we see Egypt the proudest and most powerful nation on the globe. She excelled in mighty undertakings, and to-day we marvel at the ruins of her vast structures which have withstood the crumbling touch of scores of centuries. The great pyramid Gizah is the grandest monument of human history the mightiest building on earth and the oldest—in structure a miracle, in extent almost incomprehensible.

Forty centuries have looked upon its glittering sides and the tooth of time all these rolling ages has not been able to eat away the grandeur of the pile. An oppressive land monopoly rule worked the fall of Egypt. One per cent of the people owned all the land and ninety-nine per cent of the people owned none—were tenants, serfs, and slaves. Then Egypt died and her death dirge rings yet in the ear of the world. The golden glory of Babylon, with its city the most magnificent man ever built, was cursed with a class land monopoly, which was its death warrant. Two per cent of the people owned all the land and ninety-eight per cent of the masses owned none, and were tenants, slaves and serfs,.

The founding, growth and glory of the Roman empire has been the wonder of the world. Her twelve tables underlie the codes of all civilization to-day. Her military prowess has been the admiration of mankind. Her works in every department of humane thought and action are unsurpassed. Rome has been termed the "eternal city." Rome in her highest glory was simple in habit and austere in manner. There was but a slight distinction between the people. "Citizen" was the name of man. Equality of fortune generous distribution of land was the law of common consent, and the legal enactments of the state also. So rich in achievement was she at one time that eighty-five per cent of the people had title in land. Then the legions were heroes unconquerable. Then Rome was founded on a rock. She followed the course of the great empires which had preceded her. In the incipiency of them all justice ruled and mercy reigned more largely than at any other time of their existence. But as the nations before her turned from those true principles of equity and justice in the day of their degeneracy, so did Rome. She traveled the same roads to the same death, to certain destruction In what way? Her volume of money at the commencement of this era was about $1,800,000.000 made out of brass, copper and other metals. This was doomed to destruction. She determined to shrink her volume and make the lesser volume of a finer metal so she shrank her volume to $200-000,000. A long time was consumed in doing this but the road was passed over—the goal reached. The fatal effect upon the empire came at last and Rome fell by reason of this shrinking of the volume of money.

The lands passed out of the hands of the people into the hands of the few, millionaires, so that when death's great ford was reached, where civilization was to die, we see that two thousand people owned all the land in the Roman empire. Less than one per cent of the people owned all and more than ninety-nine per cent owned none. A land monopoly, a shrinking volume of money and class legislation made up the decree of national dissolution. During the past two decades there has been no proper management of public lands, but our national legislators have actually given away to corporations in a spirit of prodigality without parallel in the world's history more land than is contained in the states of Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Michigan combined. Only a few years ago a live statesman now retiring gave to one corporation in America forty-eight millions of acres of land. The tendency has been to throw large estates into the hands of a few people, and to dispossess the poor the small land owners of the country. I want to appeal to the patriotism of our people for humanity's sake, and for the sake of the generation to come to consider well the cause of our trouble, then be equally as diligent in seeking the party that has your interest most at heart and that will not sacrifice principle for pie.

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Not every bridge contractor would like to be tried by a jury of his piers.

If he were fed regularly, the shark would not be half as ravenous as he is.

So many rogues are indicted now that there are hardly any left to go bail.

When a sick man refuses to send for a doctor, that is a sign that he still clings to life,—Sifter.

POLITICAL CONVENTIONS

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NATIONAL PROHIBITION CONVENTION St Louis, Mo., May 27th. 1896.

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What They Said.

Not to be a slave is to dare and do.—Victor Hugo.

The poor are our dependence for liberty.—Jefferson.

Cursed be the man who first loved gold.—J. Harper.

Funding is simply robbing the people on a grand scale.—Jefferson.

This country, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it.—A. Lincoln.

Banks are far more dangerous than standing armies. Let bank paper be suppressed.—Jefferson.

You have made one kind of money for the people and another for the bondholders.—Thaddeus Stevens.

Our only resource, and an ample one for any emergency—treasury notes bottomed on taxes.—Jefferson.

Anything that the government will receive in the payment of public dues is money, and good money, no mattter what its form may be.—Henry Clay.

The liberties of the people are more in danger from the aggressions of the courts than from mobs and riots.—Jefferson's Second Inaugural Address.

If the whole volume of money in circulation were doubled prices would be doubled. If it was increased one-fourth prices would rise one-fourth.—J. S. Mill.

Why compel the people to pay interest on government credit through the bank, when said credit should be extended directly to the people without interest?—Jefferson.

Power possessed by national banks of throwing up their circulation at will, is wrong in principle, unnecessary and dangerous.—Report of United States Treasurer Gilfillin, 1821, page 30.

I am not among those who ever fear the people. They, and not the rich, are our dependence for continued freedom. And to preserve their independence we must not let our leaders load us with perpetual debt.—Jefferson.

The right of issuing paper money, like that of issuing gold and silver coins, belongs exclusively to the nation and cannot be claimed by individuals.—Writings of Albert Gallatin (for 12 years secretary of the treasury), Vol. 111, page 420.

No reform, moral or intellectual, ever came from the upper class of society. Each and all came from the protest of martyr and victim. The emancipation of the working people must be achieved by the working people themselves.—Wendell Philips.

I'm certainly of the opinion that gold and silver, at rates fixed by congress, constitute the legal standard of values in this country and that neither congress nor any state has authority to establish any other standard or to displace this standard.—Daniel Webster.

There is gathered around the capitol of this nation a gang of pirates who thundered successfully at the doors, until they have driven this government to the most preposterous acts of bad faith and legalized robbery that every oppressed a free nation since the dawn of history.—O. P. Morton.

I am with the laboring people. We never agreed to pay the bonds in gold or coin. No man can find it in the law or bonds. I will never submit to have one money for the people and another for the bondholder. It will sink any party and it ought to.—Ben Wade in the United States senate, 1869.

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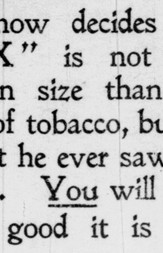

GEORGE WASHington Cheek a Hardshell colored Baptist preacher of Waycross, Ga., is a character. He literally believes in controlling the spiritual welfare of his flock, not with a rod of iron, but with a buggy whip That is, he thrashes the wandering sheep into submission to his teachings whenever the wicked spirit in them rebels. His authority for this comes from original sources. He believes himself the chosen agent of the Almighty in that locality, and has ordered that all disputes among the members shall be referred to him as a sole arbitrator. His judgment is the judgment of God.

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Personally the preacher is not the kind of a man that would be expected to wield so complete an influence over a band of able-bodied men. Not a male member of the congregation but could thrash the old preacher with one hand Yet his authority is as unquestioned as if backed by a standing army. Cheek is small in stature and measures two inches and a fraction over five feet. His sixty odd years have whitened his beard and hair and sapped the vitality of a once powerful frame.

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Political Dates.

Populist national convention, St. Louis, July 22.

Republican national convention St. Louis, June 16.

Democratic national convention Chicago, July 7.

Collin county populist precinct conventions August 1.

The Collin county populist nominating convention meets in McKinney, Aug. 8.

Democratic state convention, (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) in Austin, June 23, to elect delegates to the national convention.

Democratic state nominating convention (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) meets in Fort Worth Aug. 18.

Democratic primary (called by Chairman Dudley) June 6 to select delegates to the Austin convention June 23 and to Fort Worth convention Aug. 18; also to determine the democratic party's financial policy.

Peoples party nominating convention for 5th congressional district meets in Sherman May 22.

National prohibition convention meets in Pittsburg, Pa., May 27th.

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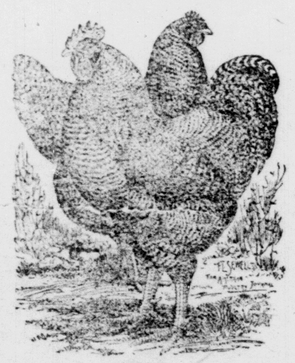
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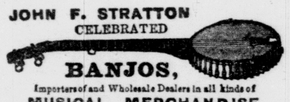
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